FACE THE STATE 3RD QUARTER PUBLIC ISSUE REPORT

7/6 DTV Informational program

DTV informational program produced by the National Association of Broadcasters. The purpose of the program is to inform viewers of the difference between analog and digital distribution and what action viewers will need to take by February 2009 in order to keep receiving a signal on their analog sets.

7/13 KRTV

Host: Tim McGonigal

Guest: Bill Ogg General Mamager Montana State

Fair

Bill Ogg talked about the Montana State Fair, its history and plans for this year's event. They discussed high gas prices this summer and how it could impact attendance levels. Mr. Ogg talked about the fair favorites, a star studded concert line-up, the rodeo and the wide variety of exhibits offered to fair goers.

7/20 KTVQ

Host: Jon Stepanek

Guest: Eloise Gore FCC

They discussed the upcoming digital TV transition and how it will affect viewers in 2009. They talked about converter boxes and the coupons the government is offering the public. Ms. Gore also discussed what the FCC is doing to prepare for the transition.

7/27 KTVQ

Host: Jon Stepanek

Guest: Jim Lynch Director of Montana Department

of Transportation

Jim Lynch discussed the new seatbelt laws and the importance of wearing your seat belt. He also showed a short video about seat belt safety.

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HOST: Ian Marquand GUESTS: None

SUBJECT: Libby and Minamata Program

In this edition of Face the State, Ian shares highlights from "Toxic Tragedies, Hometown Hopes: The Libby and Minamata Stories," which won the award as Commercial Television Program of the Year for 2008 from the Montana Broadcasters Association and the Greater Montana Foundation.

The portions of the program shown chronicled the city of Minamata, Japan's experience with mercury pollution and the resulting human health catastrophe and environmental cleanup. Ian follows the journey of two Libby High School teachers and the Mansfield Center director to Minamata as they learn more about a disaster that has many parallels to Libby's experience with toxic asbestos.

8/10 KRTV

Host: Norma Ashby Guest: Bob Morgan

They discussed Bob Morgan's career in art and he also told anecdotes of other local artists in Montana.

8/17 University of Montana

Dark Energy: The Clean Coal Contoversy

Producer: Anna Rau

This one hour documentary produced by the University of Montana explores the controversy surrounding the technology used to convert coal to liquid.

- 8/24 N/A Children's programming
- 8/31 N/A Children's programming
- 9/7 N/A US Open Tennis
- 9/14 N/A Children's programming
- 9/21 KXLF 9-10am Gubernatorial Debate produced by the Montana Broadcasters Association. The program featured gubernatorial candidates Democratic incumbent Brian Schweitzer and Republican challenger Roy Brown. The program was taped Monday 9/15/08.
- 9/28 KTVQ 9-10am Montana Supreme Court Chief Justice Forum produced by the League of Women Voters. Featured non-partisan Supreme Court Justice candidates Ron Waterman and Mike McGrath.